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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Harald KLEINE-ALTEKAMP, Volkmar HEUER, and Rainer

SIGLOCH

NETWORK ELEMENT WITH REDUNDANT SWITCHING MATRIX

Our Ref. Q60642

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 14 sheets of the specification, claims and abstract, and 5 sheets of formal drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

Please see attached preliminary amendment before calculating Government filing fee.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims Independent claims \$710.00 Base Fee

\$710.00 TOTAL FEE

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from October 15, 1999 based on German Application No. 19949996.9. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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